

LOCAL NEWS.

CONSERVATIVE WARD MEETINGS.—Meetings of the Conservatives will be held in all the wards of the city to-night, for the purpose of making nominations for the Board of Aldermen and Common Council. The meeting in the 1st Ward will be held in the school house on the corner of Duke and Royal streets, that in the 2nd at the Sun Engine House, in the 3rd at Eintracht Hall, and in the 4th at the Friendship Engine House. It is to be hoped that the Conservative voters will attend these meetings, and that good nominations may be made. With proper tickets there will be no difficulty in securing three out of the four wards; and it is by no means certain that the 4th Ward will give a radical majority.

FIRST WARD RADICALS.—Last night was the regular meeting night, in course, with the Radicals of the First Ward, but as punctuality is not one of the cardinal principles of the party, except on election days, it was half past eight before the assemblage, consisting of W. D. Massey, W. L. Penn, John S. Fowler, Geo. C. Hewes, W. P. Graves, L. L. O'Neal, John Burrill, and an individual, heretofore to fame unknown, yelet Jacob Thomas, and quite a number of colored persons, was called to order by Geo. Seaton, who requested that the meeting be opened with prayer, which request was complied with by a colored member, who prayed that the hearts of his hearers might be "consoled," which was responded to with an amen on the part of the colored members. The "freedom of the meeting" was, on motion of John Burrill, extended to the reporter of the Gazette, for which he returns his grateful acknowledgments, especially since threats had been made by some of what would happen if he "put in an appearance," but as his duty leads him often to many "posts of danger," he must sometimes disregard threats, though they generally turn out *vox et proterea nihil*, and he was, as in duty bound, there, his presence apparently giving offense to but few, and his cause being warmly espoused by all "the enlightened representatives of this progressive age." And so for the report of the meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting were read, and the amount collected reported at ninety-three cents, which announcement was received with laughter on the outside.

Four separate and distinct calls were then made for Penn! Penn! Penn! when that gentleman arose and said:

"Mr. President, the most eloquent speech I can make is to remain silent," and having uttered this undeniable, but remarkable assertion, considering the source, the speaker sat down, amid small applause.

The committee appointed to wait upon Mr. Lewis McKenize to ascertain if that gentleman would allow his name to be used as a candidate for Council, not having performed their task, asked further time, which, of course was granted, and on motion it was decided that the nominations for Council be postponed until Thursday night next. Mr. Burrill stating he had good reasons for such a postponement, as he wanted to see who the Conservatives would nominate.

After a dead pause of a few moments, a member moved to adjourn, which was very nearly being carried, when John Burrill interposed and moved that the meeting proceed to elect delegates to a convention, to meet on the 23rd, to nominate a Mayor, Commissioner of the Revenue, and any and all other officers who might possibly have to be elected.

The Chair announcing that nominations were in order, and it being determined that the ward was entitled to but five delegates, members began to name their favorites, and six having been put in the field it was determined that the "lowest candidate should be dropped," and Mr. Burrill receiving, by his count, but twelve votes, one of the successful candidates, however, withdrew in favor of Burrill, but immediately other nominations were made, which exciting the ire of Mr. B. he arose and said that it was not the first time he had been snubbed, but that if he were left out it would not cause him to quit the party; and after this announcement the meeting might do as it d—d pleased.

To this last remark Geo. W. Hewes took exception and called his colleague to order, which "pint" being sustained by the Chair, Burrill begged pardon of the meeting excepting Hewes, for whom he expressed a decided contempt.

This little episode had the effect of "closing" nominations, and the Chair, after a little colloquy with Burrill of a not very friendly character, announced the delegates to the City Convention as follows: Orlando Evans, L. L. O'Neal, John Burrill, J. S. Fowler and Robert Jenkins.

Jacob Thomas arose and made some jargonie remarks about having been an old Democrat, &c., the point of which not being apparent and eliciting no response, he subsided, his mode of expressing the King's English only affecting the risibilities of some of his hearers.

A few subdued "calls" were then made for "Massey," when that gentleman arose and commenced by saying that he had come to the meeting merely as a spectator for the purpose of seeing if the colored people were moving in a solid column, or with dissensions, strife, &c. He was glad to see that the business of the club, so far, had been conducted in a quiet and orderly manner. The radical ward meetings of the city had to bear a great deal in the way of ridicule from the reporters, but they should not mind that. The Gazette was a respectable newspaper and its editors very clever gentlemen; but it was their business to "show up" the opposite party. Whenever he had occasion to make any remarks he wanted the reporter to be present, and he might say what ever he pleased in the newspaper. The motives of the Republican party were pure, and no matter what notices were given of their meetings or what ludicrous scenes portrayed regarding them, "truth was mighty and would prevail." It was a great mistake to undertake to kill a party by ridiculing it; on the contrary it strengthened it by giving it publicity. Mr. M. then went on to say that his friend, Walter L. Penn, and himself had been charged by a "certain individual" with going around endeavoring to lead colored voters astray. The personage in question was a graduate of William and Mary College, where he supposed manners were taught as well as the different "ologies" and therefore he should have had more regard for propriety than to presume to indulge in the familiarity of calling the speaker "Bill Massey." To use a familiar expression of the speaker, he here indulged in some rather "surmounting and exultant observations" towards Col. Burrill, which were, of course, received with applause. The speaker said the use of the familiar terms "Bill" and "Watt" could only be tolerated from personal friends, and that Walter L. Penn had more brains than Bill ever would have should he live a thousand years. He then appealed to the colored people to know if ever he was engaged in arraying the mees against each other; said the party who had made the charge, had the power, would reduce every colored person to servitude. He then went on to say that Col. had been trying for some time to make himself prominent with the Conservatives; and that, with no sense of propriety, never thinking of his *alma mater*—if he ever had one, and it was supposed he had—had presumed to use a familiarity which he did not choose to tolerate. [Applause.] Mr. M. then attacked the City Council for passing the new charter. He said that that body had saved the limb off

under themselves in passing that instrument, and reiterated most of what he had said on a former occasion on the same subject. He complimented Messrs. Shinn and Wheat as most efficient and useful members, and said although their political opinions were adverse to his and those of the meeting, he must in justice to those gentlemen acknowledge their eminent fitness for the position, and in this connection said that had he his way, he would in municipal affairs eschew politics entirely, and elevate to office only men capable and fitting to manage the affairs of the city. In regard to the election of a Mayor this year he said the new charter evidently intended that Mr. Latham should remain in office for the time from which he was elected—two years—he was opposed to raising the question of an election for that office at this time; but if the Conservatives nominated a candidate the Republicans must do the same; then there would be a struggle, and "damned be he who first cries hold, enough!" At this day men in whose nostrils Democracy used to stink, called themselves Conservatives. Radicalism meant to root out evil; Democracy, in our history, to get all the offices and divide the spoils. The addition of Conservatism to Democracy, he said, was like a log chain to a wagon going down hill. He advocated conciliation; said the *whites were dependent upon the blacks, and vice versa*; and urged the colored people to vote the Radical ticket, &c., &c. He said he hoped Col. Ball, who would reduce you all to servitude had he the power, would read what I have said. He further said he never got offended when people told the truth on him. He expressed his utmost confidence in the success of the Republican party at the coming election, and urged his hearers to work along peaceably, and not get offended at every little trifle, &c., and said it had been reserved for this present Administration to slaughter its own friends—but it had not effected any change in his political opinions. He again expressed his confidence in the party and wound up by saying, "up boys and at them!" [Great applause.]

At the conclusion of Mr. M.'s speech, Jacob Thomas, who, as above stated, had never been heard from before, arose, and made quite a laughable harangue, his queer pronunciation of different words eliciting much merriment.

In the course of his speech, he turned to the reporter and said, "I want you to take it all down," trying to induce Mr. M., who frequently made that remark. "No doubt he expects to read it all in print this evening, but as the reporter had no idea of filling up the Gazette with such matter, he will search in vain for a report of his first attempt at speech-making."

Mr. Burrill—Mr. Massey has attacked a great hero this evening. He should not forget that Col. Ball captured a whole company of Federal soldiers at the slave pen the first year of the war.

Mr. Massey—The gentleman will allow me to correct him. A company—captured Ball and his company. [Great laughter.]

Mr. Burrill moved to adjourn, which was a collection, (\$1.37), was carried.

INFRACTION OF HARBOR REGULATIONS.—

Complaint was lodged at the Mayor's office this morning that the steamer Lady of the Lake had passed the wharves of the American Coal company with such propinquity and so rapidly that the waves she produced created considerable damage among the shipping and canal boats moored there. Ropes were broken, vessels driven against the piers, tackle deranged, and boats almost swamped. A corporation regulation provides for the rate of speed at which steamers shall traverse the harbor and measures will be taken to enforce its observance. The proprietors of the Lady of the Lake, don't take much pains to please either shippers or passengers from this city, sometimes objecting to receiving the former, and never informing the latter of the days or hours of her departure; these inconveniences can't be helped, but an express provision of the Corporation laws can not be disregarded with impunity.

THE SANDS CASE.—Messrs. Samuel Beach, W. C. Richards, William Wolfe, Michael German, F. A. Conkley, Richard Rudd, J. W. Atkinson and C. L. Adams of the jury summoned in this city to try Johnson H. Sands for complicity in the "Haunstein forgery," returned from Richmond this morning. The three other Alexandria jurors, Messrs. W. H. McKnight, James E. Henderson and T. P. Hunt remained in Richmond to witness the memorial ceremonies in honor of the Confederate dead, to be conducted there to-day. The jury were again brought into Court yesterday evening, and upon the statement of the foreman, Samuel Beach, that there was no possibility of their agreeing upon a verdict, were discharged. It is understood that the one Richmond juror, Isbn Benedict, and Samuel Beach and William Wolfe were for acquittal—and the remaining nine Alexandrians for conviction.

DEMOCRATIC CONSERVATIVE CLUB.—A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Democratic Conservative Club was held yesterday evening in the law office of A. W. Chilton. The President, William Kilgour, in the chair and K. Kemper Secretary. There were present from the 1st Ward, Hugh Latham and G. R. Shinn; from the 2nd, Joseph Hopkins, Thos. Russell, and L. D. Harrison; from the 3rd, J. M. Stewart, and George Bryan; and from the 4th, Alfred Uhler and D. R. Windsor. It was determined that the expenses of the approaching election in each of the wards be provided by the Executive Committees of the respective wards, and without transacting any further business the meeting adjourned.

ALARM OF FIRE.—The alarm of fire between ten and eleven o'clock last night, was caused by the partial burning of a bed and some bedding in the house of Mrs. George Price, on Cameron street, near Fairfax. The flames, which had caught accidentally from a lamp, were speedily extinguished by persons in the house, and no portion of the fire department was out.

FESTIVALS.—The festival recently held by the ladies of St. Paul's congregation, was not only a very agreeable, but a very successful one—realizing a handsome sum for the object for which it was intended. The festival by the ladies of Christ Church congregation commenced to-night and that of the ladies of the Second Presbyterian Church next Tuesday night.

THE AQUA CREEK LINE.—The steamer Georgetown, of the Baltimore and Aqua Creek line, arrived up this morning to take the place on the Washington and Aqua Creek line, of the steamer Charlotte Vanderbilt, which was injured on Saturday night last, and has been towed to Baltimore for repairs.

CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE CORPORATION.—The May term of the Circuit Court for the Corporation, Judge Keith to preside, will commence on Monday next. The jurors to serve during the term have been drawn by the Commonwealth's Attorney and the Clerk of the Court.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting of this association was held in their room, on King street, last night, Vice President, G. R. Hill in the Chair. After the usual religious services, the proceedings of the April meeting were read and approved.

The executive committee through H. W. Beadle made their annual report, which was adopted, and also recommended the following gentlemen for membership: Frank Pollard, John P. Agnew, R. Bell, Jr., Chas. B. Meade, Park Agnew, Weste Willoughby, T. L. Sanborn, active; and D. G. Gregory, Lysander Hill and W. P. Graves, associate, and they were unanimously elected.

The chairman of the various prayer meeting committees gave cheering accounts of the work in these activities.

The suburban prayer meeting committee made their annual report, through Jas. Entwistle, Jr.

Mr. Beadle from committee on jail made their annual report.

H. Ward, from the committee on bethel, reported the operations in this activity during the year; their report gave notice that the location of the meeting had been changed to Prince street dock with better accommodations and prospect for renewed interest.

The Alms House committee reported very favorably as to interest and increased attendance at that quarter.

The Treasurer, P. J. Dempsey, read his annual report, which was accepted, and at his own request referred to a committee of three, viz: Mr. A. J. Fleuning, John F. Cooke and L. C. O'Neal, to report at the next meeting.

On motion of Jas. Entwistle, Jr., the thanks of the Association were tendered to the Treasurer for the faithful and efficient manner in which he has discharged his duties during the past year.

The annual report of the President was then read and accepted.

On motion of H. W. Beadle, it was resolved that the thanks of the Association be tendered to Jas. Grigg for his efficiency and zeal in the discharge of his duties as President during the past year.

The reports of the President and of the various committees, which for want of space we are compelled to omit, exhibit in a very favorable light the present condition of the Association, and its steady growth in the community, and its good accomplished by the zealous and untiring exertions of the members who now number eighty-seven, and who by their works give ample evidence of their faith and christian benevolence.

The report of the committee on nominations made by the Secretary, Mr. Thos. Leadbeater, was read, and the following ticket for officers for the ensuing year, was placed before the association and elected.

President, Geo. R. Hill; 1st Vice President, F. A. Reed; 2nd Vice President, R. Jamieson; 3d Vice President, E. L. Tolson; 4th Vice President, R. F. Knox; 5th Vice President, I. C. O'Neal; Corresponding Secretary, Geo. W. Reed; Recording Secretary, Dr. J. B. Hodgkin; Treasurer, P. J. Dempsey.

Executive Committee—H. W. Beadle, Chairman—(Chas. W. Green, Meth. Prot. Church; Jas. T. Bradley, Baptist Church; E. H. Cumpston, 2nd Presbyterian Church; Alfred Atkinson, Christ Church; James Grigg, M. E. Church, South; Henry C. Clark, M. E. Church; S. M. Dent, St. Paul's Church and Charles Brill, Grace Church.)

On motion the subject-matter of inviting the members of the National Convention of the U. S. and Canada, of Young Men's Christian Association, to be held in Washington this month, to visit this city, was referred to the executive committee, they to provide for their entertainment, and procure a suitable place for a general meeting.

The committee on printing were directed to have printed one thousand blank notices for the use of the Secretary.

The increased interest in the affairs of the association was manifested in the large attendance of the members. The session was very harmonious, and after singing the doxology the association adjourned.

CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY—Judge Keith presiding.—3d day—*Chancery Side.* Hitt v. next friend vs. Summers' trustee: final decree.

Elze v. Graham: decree for collection of part of purchase money.

Hopcroft vs. Hopcroft's administrator: final decree.

Hutchinson vs. Taylor: report recommended to Commissioner.

Law Side.—Rosebury vs. Fitz: debt, continued at defendant's cost, and leave to take the deposition of C. E. Sinclair.

Day vs. Trotte: debt; demurrer sustained and leave given plaintiff to file amended declaration.

Hunter vs. Crane et al: in case; trespass; defendant pleaded not guilty; issue continued.

Smith vs. Harrison; debt; removed to Circuit Court of Corporation.

Gray vs. Fisher; superseas; and sum vs. same; docketed.

The jurors were discharged.

Court adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow.

APPOINTMENT.—At a meeting of the Board of Education, held at Richmond on Monday last, Richard L. Carne was appointed City Superintendent of Public Schools for the City of Alexandria, under the new law providing a system of public free schools for the cities of the commonwealth.

OLD DOMINION LIGHT HORSE.—The Old Dominion Light Horse met at Catts' Tavern, West End, yesterday evening, and for the first time since the organization of the Company, were drilled. Four new members were elected.

CANAL NAVIGATION RESUMED.—The obstruction in the Chesapeake and Ohio canal, caused by a sunken boat in the Georgetown level, has been removed and boats are now arriving and departing freely.

PICNIC.—The pupils of all the colored public schools united yesterday in an excursion into the country, by permission of the Superintendent.

POSTOFFICE.—At Gamesville, Prince William county, Miss Emeruse Williams has been appointed Postmistress, vice J. B. F. Sothron, resigned.

FISHING.—One of the most successful fishing shores this season, has been Chapman's Landing, on the Maryland side of the river.

PINE APPLES.—Mr. Bossart, this morning, received a fresh supply of Pine Apples, ripe and delicious.

MAYOR'S OFFICE.—William Edwards, colored, for disorderly conduct at Fishtown, was discharged with an admonition.

John Smith, a sailor belonging to the schooner Gipsy, for disorderly conduct, was fined and discharged.

A stranger from one of the counties in the Northern Neck of the State, arrested on suspicion of horse stealing, was discharged as his good character was vouched for by responsible witnesses.

NIGHT REPORT.—Night clear and cool, with a stiff breeze for about an hour in the middle of the night. There were no disturbances in any quarter of the city. Balls were held across the Canal locks and near the Brown shed, but they were conducted quietly. Four prisoners are one lodger were at the station house.

TELEGRAPH NEWS.

[Special Dispatches to the Gazette.]

FOREIGN NEWS.

PARIS, May 16.—Tuesday night.—There was a tremendous scene at the fall of the column of Vendome at half past 5 o'clock this afternoon. The fall was announced for 2 o'clock and all the balconies in the Place Vendome were thronged with ladies. Rues de la Paix and Castiglione were crowded. Three bands of music arrived while the workmen were engaged in chipping at the base of the column. Mr. Abadie next arrived and inspected the windlass.

The excitement was intense. Rochefort next appeared and the people crowded around him, giving him loud cheers. Soon all arrangements were completed and the ladders sounded. The cable was stretched and tightened, but the column stood firm. The windlass broke and the pulley flew into the air, and descended, striking a sailor and wounding him. After this accident Abadie declared that he needed two hours to repair the tackle. At a quarter past five it was given out that the column would not fall before seven. A general expression of disapproval went through the crowd. Abadie was accused of complicity with the Versailles Government and narrowly escaped the guillotine.

At twenty minutes past 5 o'clock the cable was again stretched for the work of demolition. Suddenly, to the surprise of the spectators the vast column moved and swayed. It next swept majestically down, bursting into fragments as it struck the earth. It fell lengthwise in the Rue de la Paix exactly on a manure cushion prepared for it, splintering with a dull heavy lumbering sound while a thick cloud of dust and crushed and powdered masonry rose in the air. The crowd gave tremendous shouts of "Vive la Commune" and the bands played the Marseillaise. When the dust cleared away there lay the glorious column shattered to pieces, its bronze and masonry in two masses together in the middle and the statue of the Emperor several feet from one end of the column with the head knocked off. The crowd rushed forward to collect the fragments as relics, and the guards were unable to resist the rush.

Next the orators commenced speeches, indulging in all sorts of extravagant language. The statue of the Emperor was treated as if it had been the Emperor himself. The National Assembly moved and struck it with their rifles. After the ceremonies were concluded the crowd dispersed, and the soldiers moved on, waving their red flag and giving expression to joy by continued shouting. The excitement was intense and is even now high.

VERSAILES, May 16.—Tuesday Evening.—A tradesman from Paris says many thousands of the men of order are anxious to have a fearful revenge on the Red Republicans when the forces of the Thiers Government enter the city. The "Reds" have made them fight the Versailles troops against their will. I am informed that the soldiers belonging to the Versailles Government when captured by the insurgents, are tortured to death.

In Fort Vanvres, before the capture, a captain of MacMahon's army was taken and immediately shot. The troops are indignant and swear vengeance. It is believed the grand assault will take place in a few hours. The enemies of Thiers assert that he is delaying ordering it to be made, because he is afraid of the loss of his power will arrive when the army captures Paris.

The National Assembly is now deliberating whether it can call itself the Constituent Assembly.

LONDON, May 17.—A dispatch from Paris says the Siecle, National, Avenir National, Journal de Paris, Corsaire and Discussion have been suppressed. Several persons were injured by the fall of the column of Vendome.

The Versailles parallels have been advanced until they are now only one hundred metres from the ramparts of Paris.

The troops in the trenches are greatly disturbed by the fire of the insurgents and as many as thirty of them were killed in one night.

A Daily News Special from Paris says the important minority of the Commune has protested against the continued existence of the committee of public safety.

PARIS, May 17.—The column of Vendome fell in three pieces. The square in which it stood will henceforth be known as "Place Internationale."

The Committee of Public Safety has, by a decree, associated the civil commissioners with all the generals of the Commune, in order, it is said, to prevent the danger of a dictatorship.

Jurgens and De Reuvic are associated with Gendombrowski, Johannard with La Ceceila and Meiller with Wolobinski.

The Standard's special from Versailles gives the report that Fort Montargue has been taken. The same correspondent says the republican delegates will present to the Assembly a motion for the appointment of Thiers to the Presidency of the republic for two years, and adds that a disturbance is expected.

All the trains leaving Paris are carefully examined.

The owners of petroleum are ordered to report to the Commune.

The Parisians still hold Montrouge.

Fort Vanvres is unoccupied.

The Versailles are pressing operations for the capture of Billancourt.

VERSAILES, May 17.—Louis Blanc will go to America after the termination of the sessions of the Assembly.

LONDON, May 17.—The weather is very cold and snow fell this morning in Scotland and North of England. It is thought the crops have sustained serious injury.

LONDON, May 17.—The Standard's special dispatch says the Versailles will probably carry the city to-night and the Communists are leaving in dismay.

From Mexico.

MATAMORAS, May 8.—Juarez is relieving all the Generals supporting his opponents. He has sent General Ochoa to relieve General Rocha, commanding the 3d division headquarters at San Luis Potosi. Rocha is supported by Escobedo and he refuses to obey the order. The matter is still pending. General Lopez, commanding at Tampico, acting under instructions from General Rocha, also refused to be relieved.

It is reported that the port of Tampico has been closed.

General Palacios, commanding at Matamoras, supports Rocha and will not like Lopez.

Juarez has ordered General Cortena to assume command here. He is now up the river concentrating his troops. It is anticipated that General Palacios will resist and fight and follow the pronouncement of the Third division. It is stated throughout the northern frontiers that a conflict before the election is expected on account of the feeling towards Juarez, at the border, in consequence of his opposition to the Zona Libre question.

An order has been received here directing an investigation for the defence of the claims before the commission.

RINGOLD BARRACKS, May 5.—One hundred armed Mexicans have crossed the river at Los Curvas, thirty-five miles distant, making a cattle raid. Smaller bands are constantly crossing for the same purpose and extend their operations to near Corpus Christi. They fight if they are encountered. There is a panic among the breeders of stock between Rio Grand and Neuces. The Mexican authorities are stolen every month in the way of their recovery. Neither the State nor the nation are protecting the people who complain loudly.

Death of a Physician.

NEWPORT, May 17.—Dr. Daniel Watson, an eminent physician and a graduate of the Pennsylvania Medical University, died this morning.

Railroad Combination

SAN FRANCISCO, May 17.—Papers have been drawn up here to-day securing the most extensive and powerful railroad combinations ever attempted in the world. It includes the Pennsylvania Central and connections from Seaboard to the Union Pacific terminus at Ogden, Utah, and on this side of the California Pacific, not the Central Pacific; but the Vallojo opposition line which will be extended North to Goose Lake, Oregon, and connecting with the Oregon railroad to Portland, and possibly also Puget Sound, thence to the Christmases lakes, thence eastward along the south side of the Snake river in Southern Idaho to a point in easy connection with the Union Pacific, eastward of Ogden. This route will avoid the heavy grade across the Sierra Nevada and complete a continuous line from the Atlantic to the Pacific. It will be built immediately, all the capital having been secured in Europe, for the entire work. No subsidies will be asked for the work, which will be commenced within two months with all the force which can be placed upon the line.

From New York.

NEW YORK, May 17.—Governor Hoffman, just before leaving for Richmond yesterday, stated that Ruloff's counsel had decided not to interfere either by respite or commutation. The execution occurs to-morrow. Ruloff stated yesterday that he only needed six weeks to complete his rudiments of philology.

Wm. Rudd threw his wife from the third story of a tenement house in Read street last night, causing almost instant death.

The Mercantile Library Reformers will take legal measures of contest on the ground of fraud in the election of directors yesterday.

Tom Carpenter's "Thomas Jefferson" won the \$15.00 purse for 229 horses at Fleetwood Park yesterday, and George P. Carpenter's Heather Bloom, the \$700 purse for three minute horses.

Henry W. Raymond was among the graduates at the law school last night.

Murders.

MANCHESTER, PA., May 17.—An unknown miner was found dead about a mile below Hazleton last evening. He was shot through the head and his throat cut.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 16.—Johnny Devine, alias "the chicken" has been arrested and identified as the perpetrator of a diabolical attempt to murder a young German named Kamp yesterday after having beaten him out of \$20. He decoyed him to the hills on the south of the city and shot him through the head but failed to kill him.

Fire.

HOMESIDE, PA., May 17.—A fire broke out in Cumming's store last night, and it, together with the stores of R. J. M. Enner, J. Synder, Knapp and Jenkins and W. and L. Western, were burned. Loss about \$250,000, upon which there is an insurance of \$100,000.

The Markets.

NEW YORK, May 17.—Stocks very strong and active. Virginia sixes 69; do. new 714. Money easy at 4. Gold steady at 114 1/2. Flour rather more steady. Wheat a shade firmer. Corn scarce and advancing.

BALTIMORE, May 17.—Cotton weak; middling 15 1/2; low middling 14 1/2. Flour fairly active and firmer. Wheat firm; Ohio and Indiana 1 1/2; choice lot of red sold at 210. Corn—White Southern steady at 74 1/2; yellow do. weak at 73 1/2; mixed Western 74 1/2. Oats dull at 64 1/2.

SUMMER DRINKS.—Messrs. Warfield & Hall, apothecaries, corner of Prince and Fairfax streets, have had put up, in their store, a new and handsome marble fountain, from which flows Soda, Seltzer, Vichy and Kessengen waters, cold as ice, with syrups of the most delicious flavor, fit drinks for the gods, but which may be enjoyed by any mortal who will stop in at Messrs. Warfield & Hall.

LADY'S MAGAZINE.—From the book and periodical store of Mr. G. E. French, 95 King street, we have received the June number of Frank Leslie's Lady's Magazine.

SECOND WARD RADICALS.—A meeting of the 2d Ward Radicals will be held to-night at the corner of Pitt and Princess streets.

The Place to Buy your Clothing.

If you want a good Spring Suit from \$6 and upwards, go to BLONDHEIM'S, Corner King and Fairfax streets.

If you want a first-class Black, Blue or Brown Short Frock Coat, go to BLONDHEIM'S, Corner King and Fairfax streets.

If you want the latest style Derby Coat for men or boys, go to BLONDHEIM'S, Corner King and Fairfax streets.

If you wish to see the best assortment of Light Colored Pants and Vests, go to BLONDHEIM'S, Corner King and Fairfax streets.

If you want the leading fashions of Neckties, Bowes and Scarfs, go to BLONDHEIM'S, Corner King and Fairfax streets.

BLONDHEIM is introducing all the new SPRING STYLES at lower prices than any other house in the trade, and can say in regard to cheapness that he has cut all others out of the ring, and stands champion among clothiers.

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SEASONED PINE AND OAK WOOD.

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38 and 40 South Royal street.

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A. S. PERPENER.

BY VIRTUE OF AUTHORITY VESTED in me as Administrator upon the estate of JAMES GLEASON, deceased, I shall proceed to sell at Hayfield, on Monday, the 29th day of May at 12 o'clock of that day, the following property to wit: TWO MILCH COWS; EDWARD D. BUREN, Administrator.

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